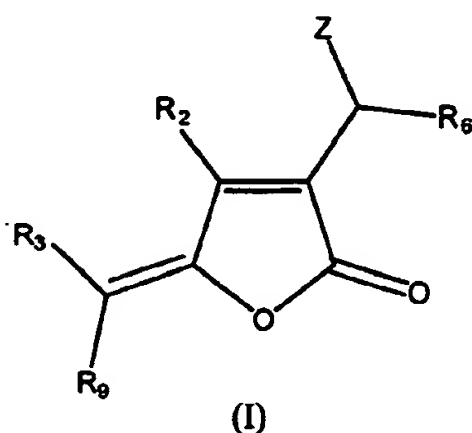


**Amendments to the Claims:**

The listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application.

**Listing of Claims:**

Claim 1 (previously presented): A compound according to formula (I):



wherein  $R_6$  is  $C_4$ - $C_{25}$  alkyl;

$R_2$  and  $R_3$  are independently or both H or halogen;

$R_9$  is halogen;

$Z$  is independently selected from OH, alkoxy, halogen,  $OC(O)R_6$ ,  $=O$ , amine, azide, thiol, mercaptoalkyl, alkenyloxy, mercaptoalkenyl, aryloxy, mercaptoaryl, arylalkyloxy, mercaptoarylalkyl,  $SC(O)R_{10}$ ,  $OS(O)R_{10}$ ,  $OS(O)_2R_{10}$ ,  $NHC(O)R_{10} = NR_4$  or  $NHR_4$ ;

$R_4$  is OH, alkyl, alkoxy, poly(ethylene glycol), alkenyl, aryl or arylalkyl;

$R_{10}$  is H, OH, alkyl, alkoxy, oxoalkyl, alkenyl, aryl or arylalkyl; and

wherein each substituent can be substituted or unsubstituted, straight chain or branched chain.

Claim 2 (previously presented): A compound according to formula (Ia):